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# Update on District Department of Transportation (DDOT) Operating Status during COVID-19 Emergency

As of April 6, 2020

### What is our operating status?

Along with the rest of District government, DDOT remains operational while offering many services remotely until April 26.

### How does this impact what we do?

- **DC Circulator** reduced schedule/modified service:
  - Effective March 19, DC Circulator suspended service on National Mall Route. DC Circulator has also suspended fares on all routes through the end of Mayor Bowser's declared public health emergency.
  - o Effective April 7, DC Circulator will operate Monday Friday 6:00 am 9:00 pm and Saturday Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 pm for essential work, medical or grocery store trips.
  - O DC Circulator passengers are asked to enter and exit the bus using the rear door at all times. The only exceptions are for passengers who need to use the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) boarding ramp or require the bus to "kneel" to facilitate boarding.
- **DC Streetcar** reduced schedule/modified schedule. Effective April 4, the DC Streetcar will operate Monday Friday 8:00 am 10:00 pm and Saturday Sunday 8:00 am 8:00 pm, running every 20 minutes.
- Capital Bikeshare no changes. Capital Bikeshare continues regular operations. It is providing free 3O-day memberships now through May 1 to essential workers including those in the healthcare, food service, food retailers, and other industries in the DC Metropolitan Area as the region continues its response to the public health emergency. Employers and essential workers should email HeroBikes@Lyft.com for enrollment information.
- **Rush hour parking restrictions** suspended. All rush hour parking restrictions suspended effective March 19.
- Reversible lanes modified. Rush hour reversible lanes operations on Connecticut Avenue and 16th Street NW suspended effective March 19. Reversible lanes operations on Independence Avenue and Canal Road continues to operate as normal during morning and evening rush hours. DDOT will use dynamic message boards to communicate these changes to the public.
- **Construction and roadway repair** no changes. Construction work continues in District's public space. Residents should adhere to parking restrictions posted on Emergency No Parking signs.
- Street trees no changes. Urban Forestry team provides emergency tree services.
- Parking meters no changes. Parking meters are operational.
- Public space permits modified service. The in-person permits office at 1100 4th Street NW will
  be unavailable to the public effective March 25. Permits can be applied for and renewed online.
  Residents should use DDOT's online public space permitting service, <u>Transportation Online</u>
  Permitting System (TOPS), to apply for and renew public space permits. Payments can be made
  through the PayPal portal in TOPS. Please visit <u>ocfo.dc.gov</u> for more information about cash and
  check payments.



• **Public Space Inspections** – no changes. The Public Space Inspections branch continues to perform inspections and issue citations. Non-critical inspections may be delayed to prioritize inspections that impact the safety of the transportation network.

### How does this impact our physical locations?

- **DDOT Public Space Regulation Division at 1100 4th Street NW** in-person services unavailable to the public effective March 25.
- **DDOT Headquarters at 55 M Street SE** remains an appointment only facility. Program staff can be reached by contacting 202-673-6813.

## What precautions are we taking to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Our employees are taking precautions to keep themselves healthy and limit the spread of infections like regularly washing their hands, cleaning facilities more frequently, and reducing close contact with each other and residents. Employees have been asked to let their supervisor know immediately if they feel sick.

# Where should you go if you have questions?

For questions about any of the services we provide and information on any future changes, please contact us at 202-673-6813 or <a href="mailto:ddot@dc.gov">ddot@dc.gov</a>. For more information, please visit <a href="mailto:coronavirus.dc.gov">coronavirus.dc.gov</a>.

